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IT'S BLOODSWORD vs.

# SPIDER-MAN

## vs. BLOODSWORD

HIM  
I CAN TAKE  
WITH TEN  
TALONS TIED  
BEHIND ME...

BUT NOT  
HER...

NOT  
HER!

LEONARDO  
WILLIAMS



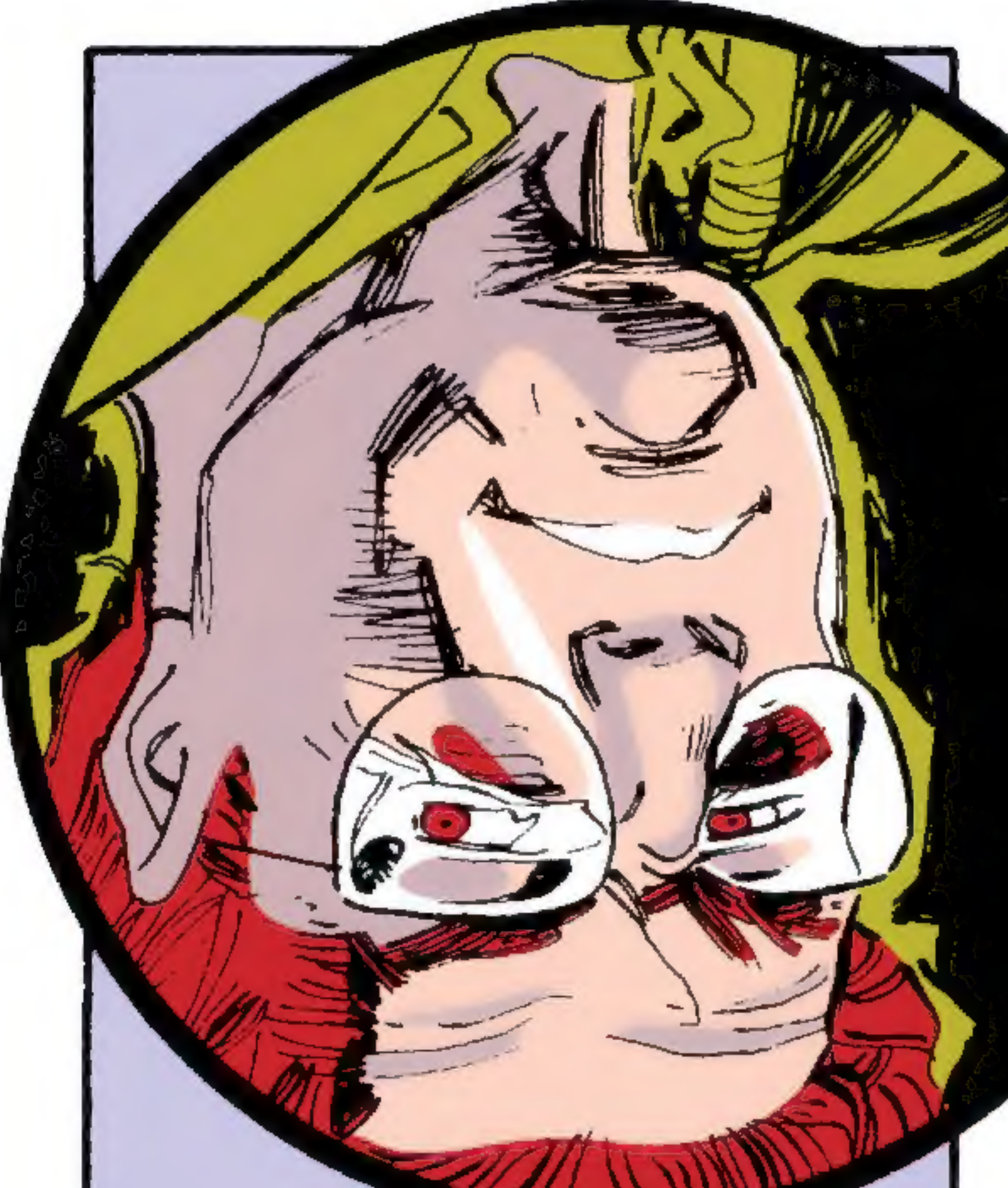
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"IT'S MOMENTS LIKE THIS  
THAT I, MIGUEL O'HARA,  
REALLY, REALLY HATE  
MY MOTHER.







"THERE'S NOTHING PARTICULARLY PSYCHOLOGICAL ABOUT THAT POINT OF VIEW. IT DOESN'T RELATE TO ANY DEEP-SEATED, LONG-BURIED ABUSE ON HER PART."

"IT HAS TO DO WITH THE FACT THAT CONCHATA O'HARA HAS AN INCREDIBLE KNACK FOR SCREWING UP MY LIFE."


"NOT THAT MY LIFE ISN'T BIZARRE ENOUGH WITHOUT HER. MERE HOURS AGO, FOR EXAMPLE..."

"I WAS STANDING IN VALHALLA, THE FLOATING CITY, HAVING JUST PUT AN END TO THE THREAT OF THE AESIR WITH THE AID OF AS MOTLEY A CREW AS ONE COULD IMAGINE."

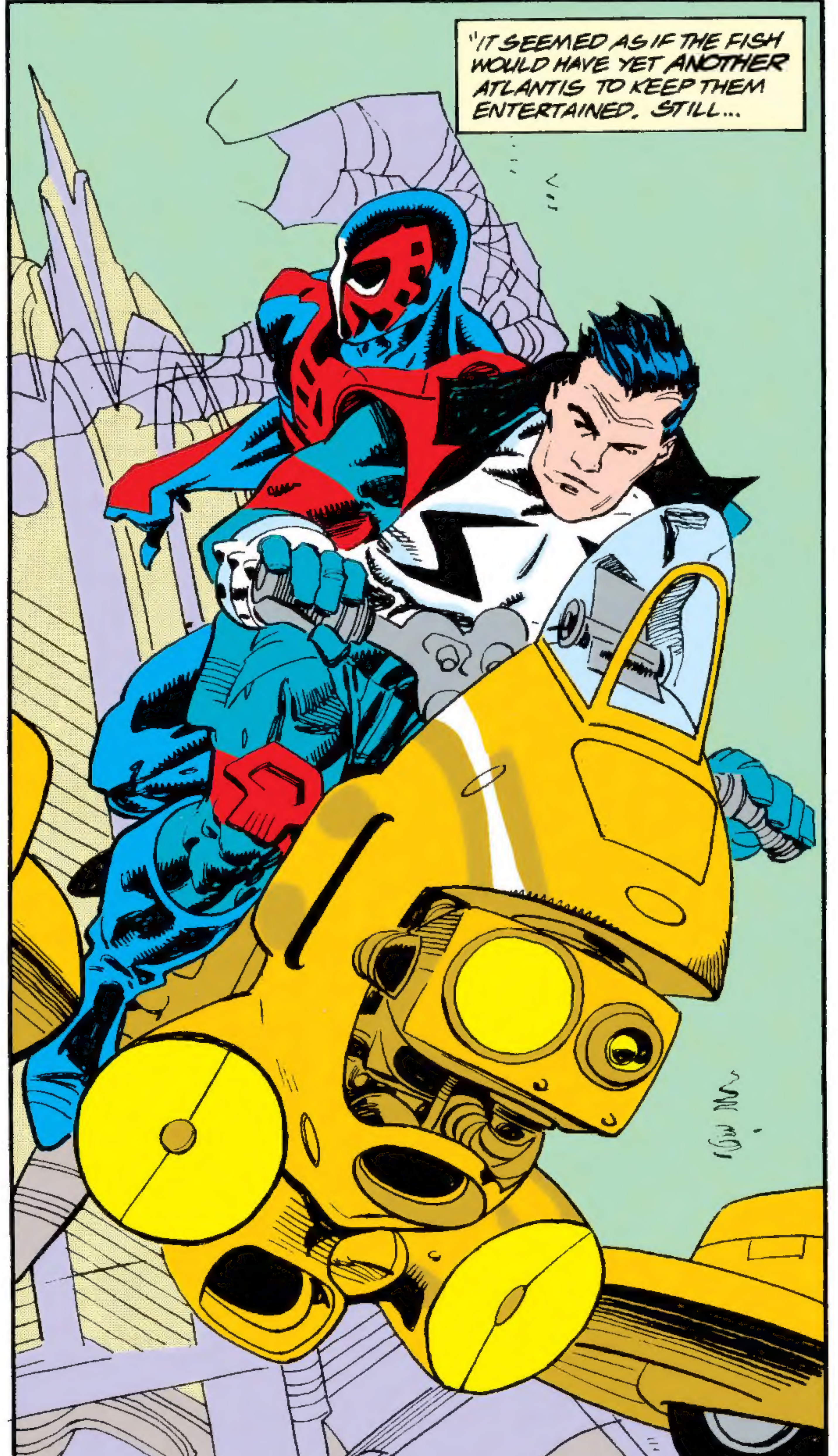
"THE PUNISHER, WITH AN INNATURAL OBSESSION FOR FIREARMS THAT COULD KEEP A FREUDIAN OR SAMSONIAN PSYCHIATRIST BUSY FOR YEARS."

"RAVAGE, WHO APPARENTLY HAD ONLY THE FAINTEST GRASP OF PERSONAL HYGIENE. AND DOOM, WHO WATCHED US AS IF HE WERE STUDYING MICROBES."

"THE PUNISHER RECOMMENDED IMMEDIATE DEPARTURE FROM THE ABANDONED CITY, BEFORE WE WERE OUT OF RANGE OF HIS SKYCYCLE TO TRANSPORT US. AND DOOM SAID..."



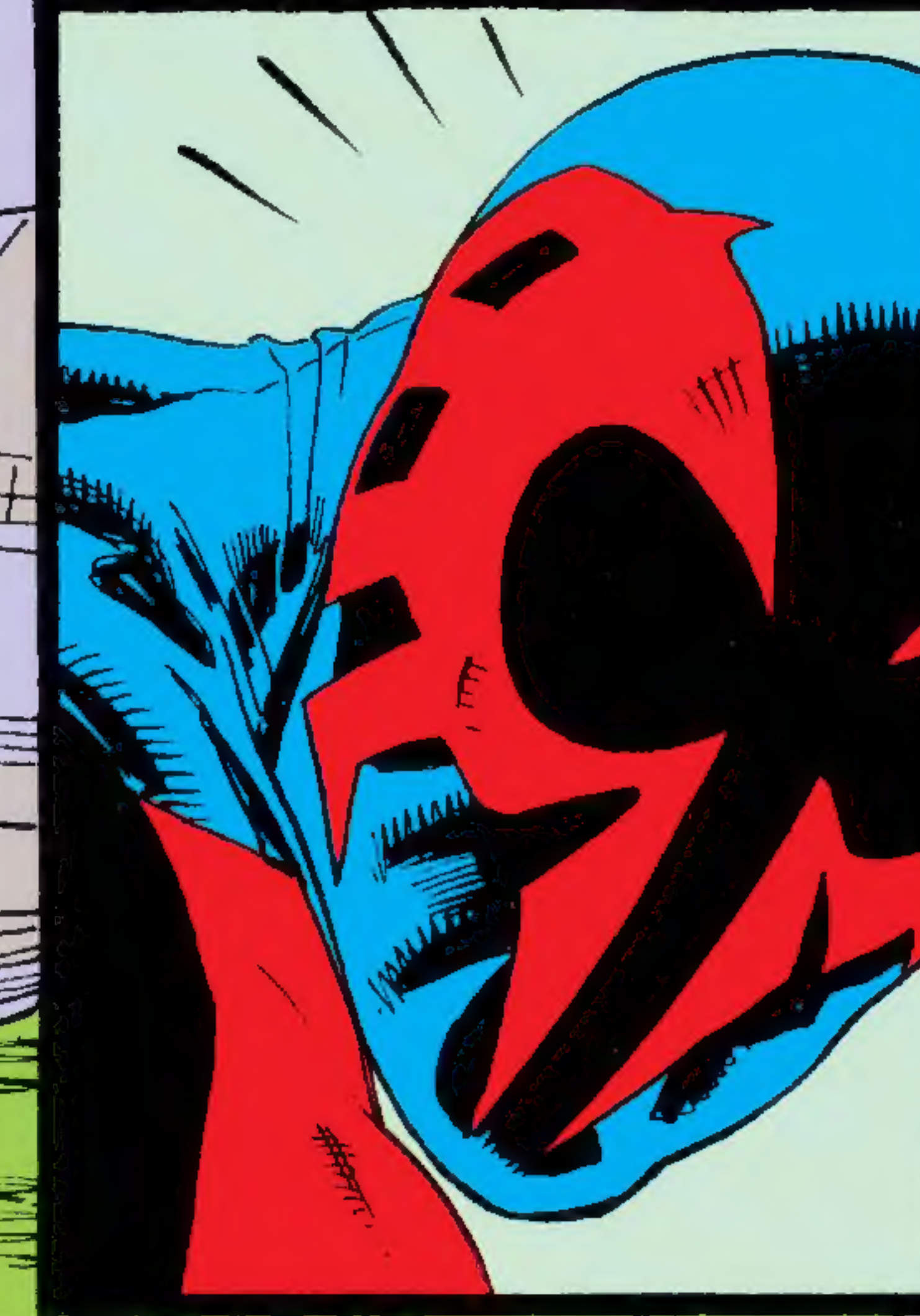
YES, LET US LEAVE THIS FLOATING ECOLOGICAL NIGHTMARE. WITH NO ONE TO MAINTAIN OUR JURY-RIGGED REPAIRS, I PROJECT TOTAL ENGINE FAILURE WITHIN THE NEXT FOUR HOURS."



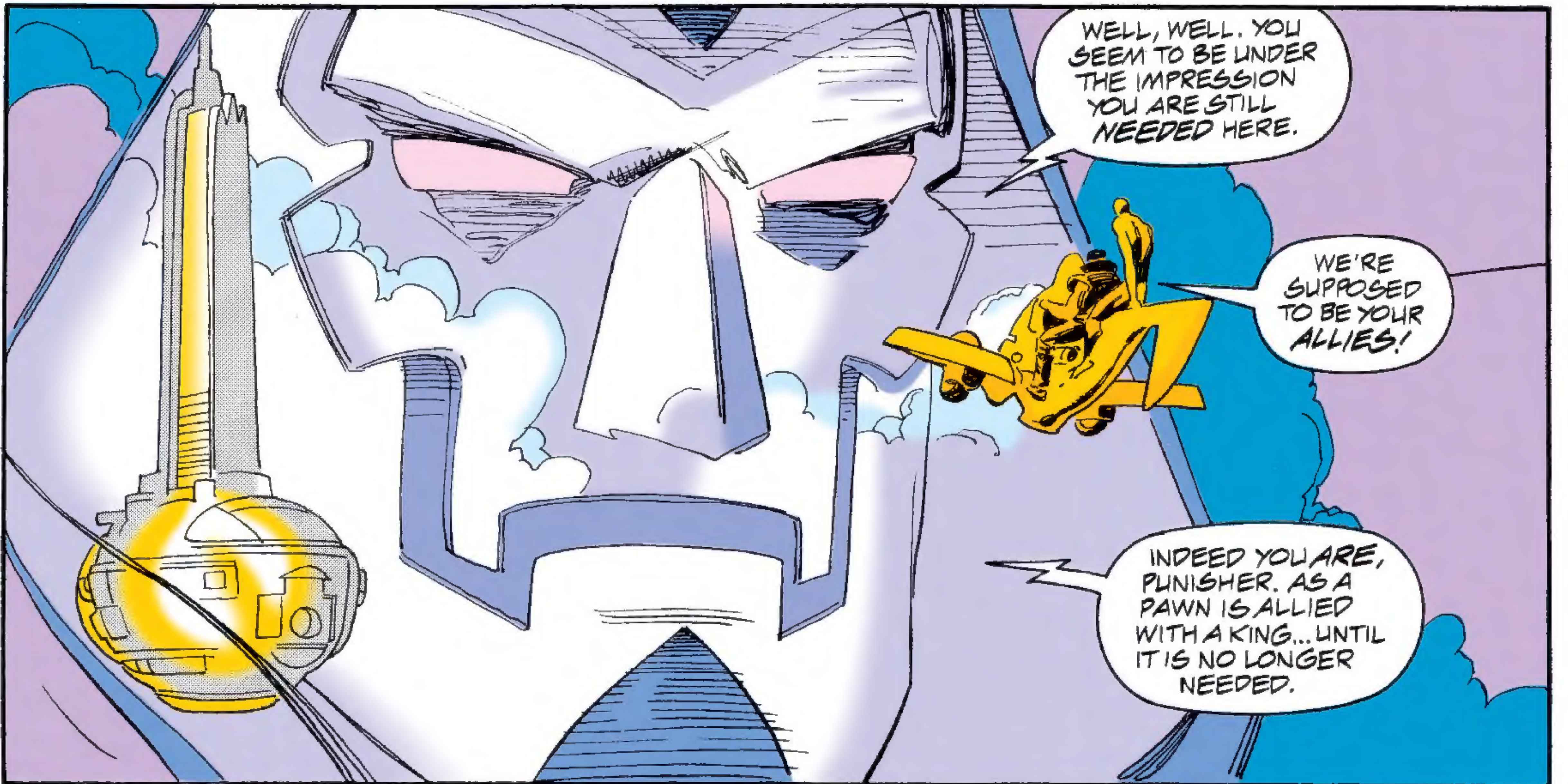
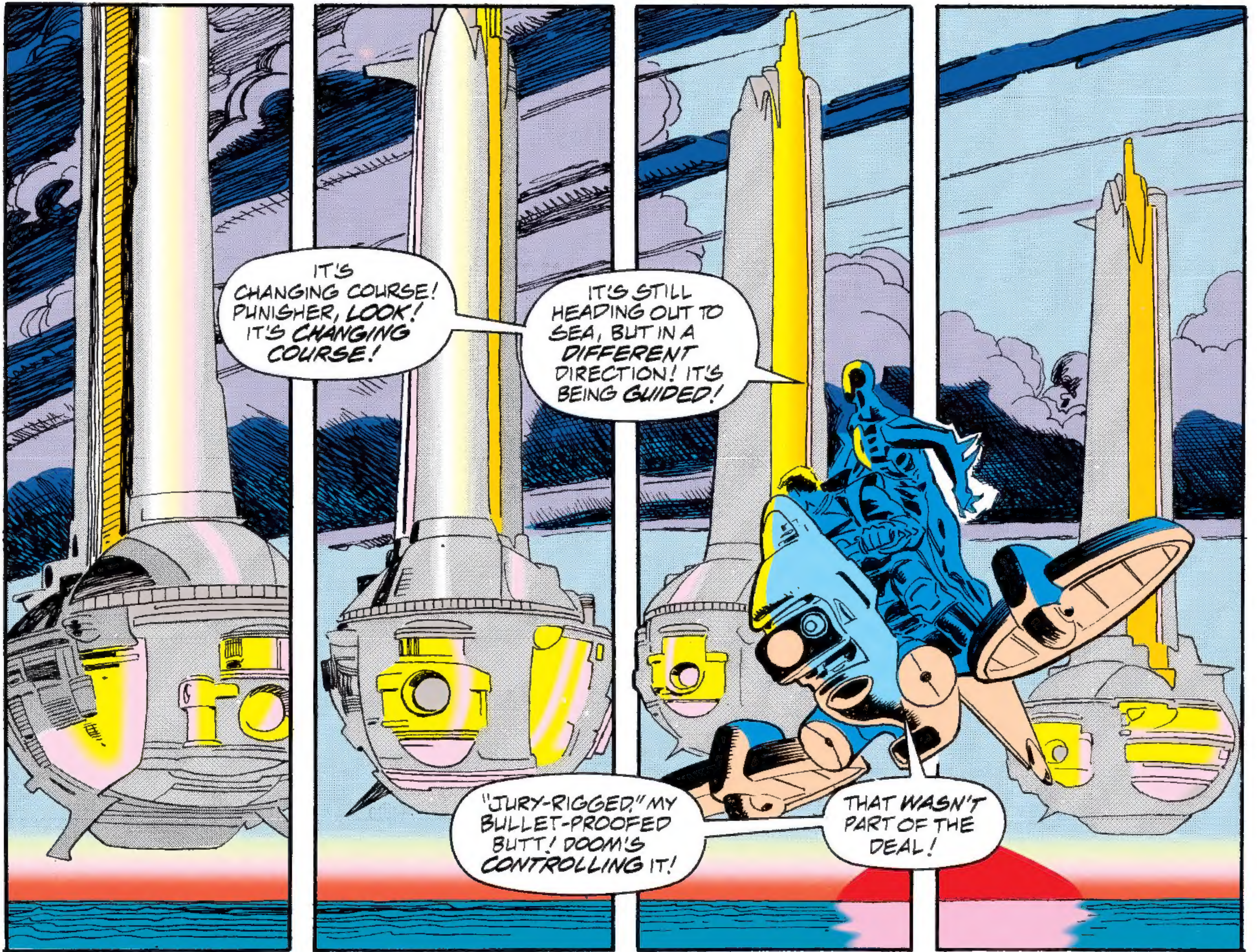
"IT SEEMED AS IF THE FISH WOULD HAVE YET ANOTHER ATLANTIS TO KEEP THEM ENTERTAINED. STILL..."

"I THOUGHT THAT DOOM HAD AGREED TOO READILY."

"AND THEN I REALIZED I WAS RIGHT."





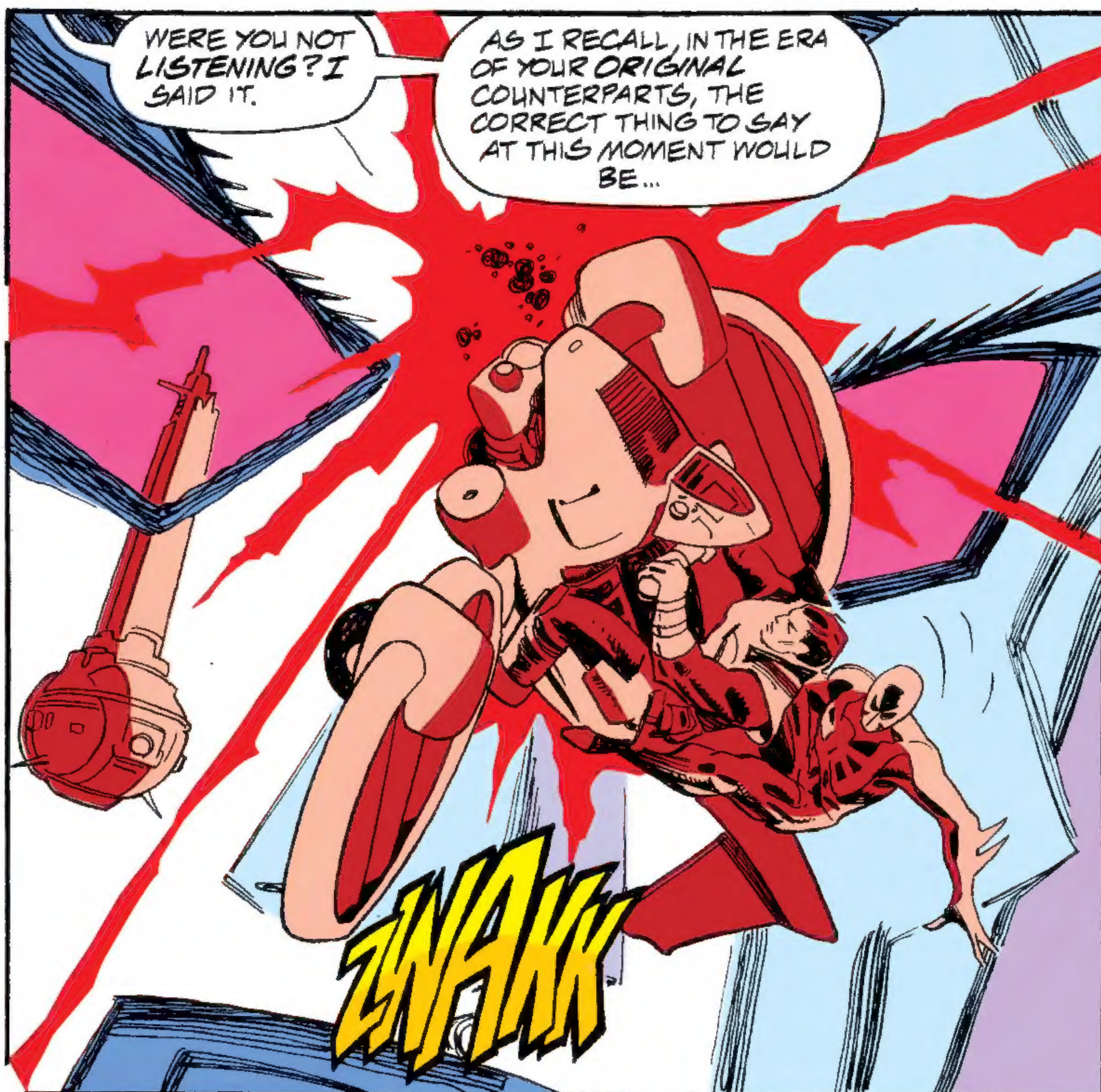






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YOU OF YOUR  
RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR VALHALLA.

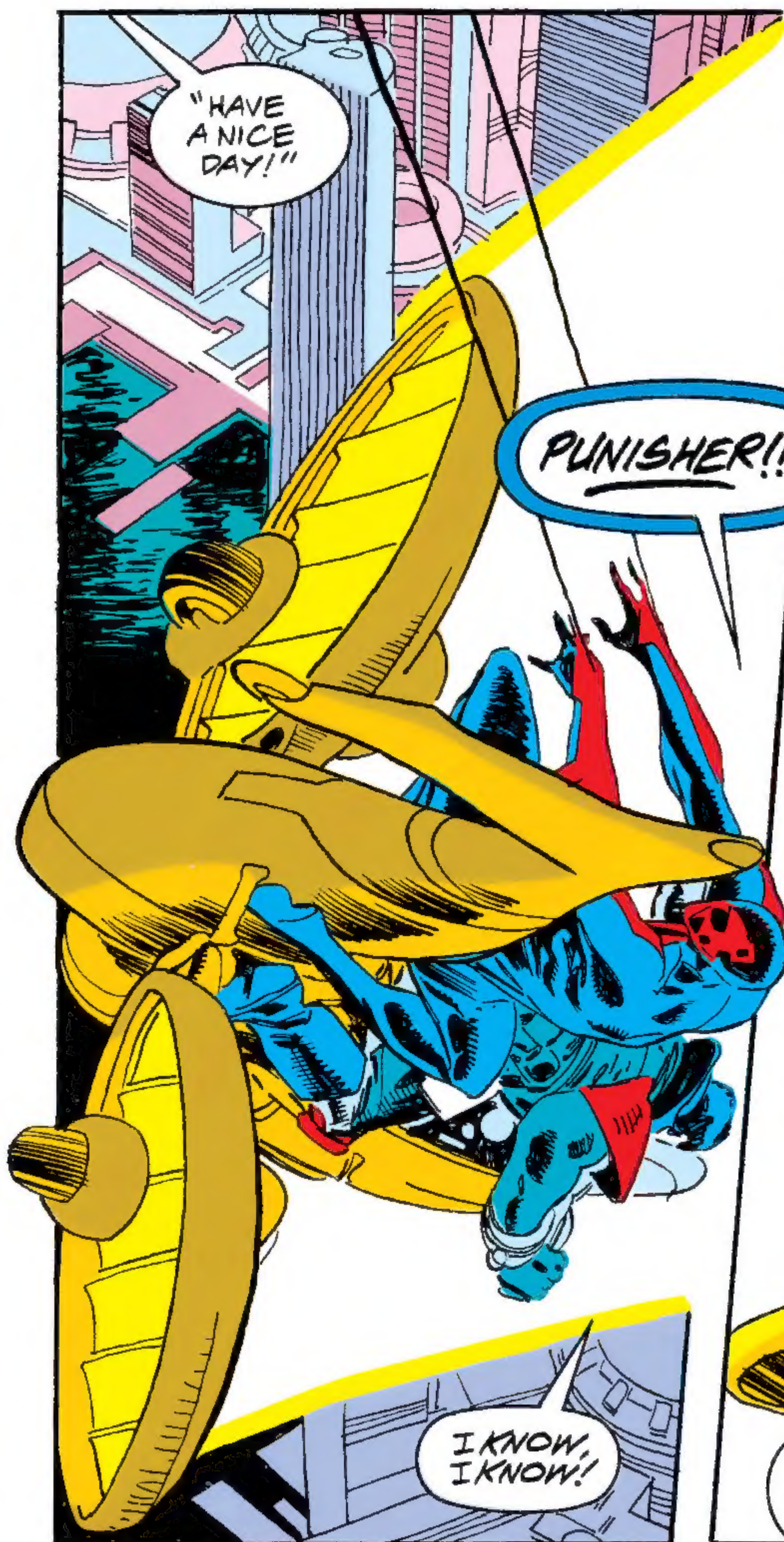
SAYS  
WHO?!



WERE YOU NOT  
LISTENING? I  
SAID IT.

AS I RECALL, IN THE ERA  
OF YOUR ORIGINAL  
COUNTERPARTS, THE  
CORRECT THING TO SAY  
AT THIS MOMENT WOULD  
BE...

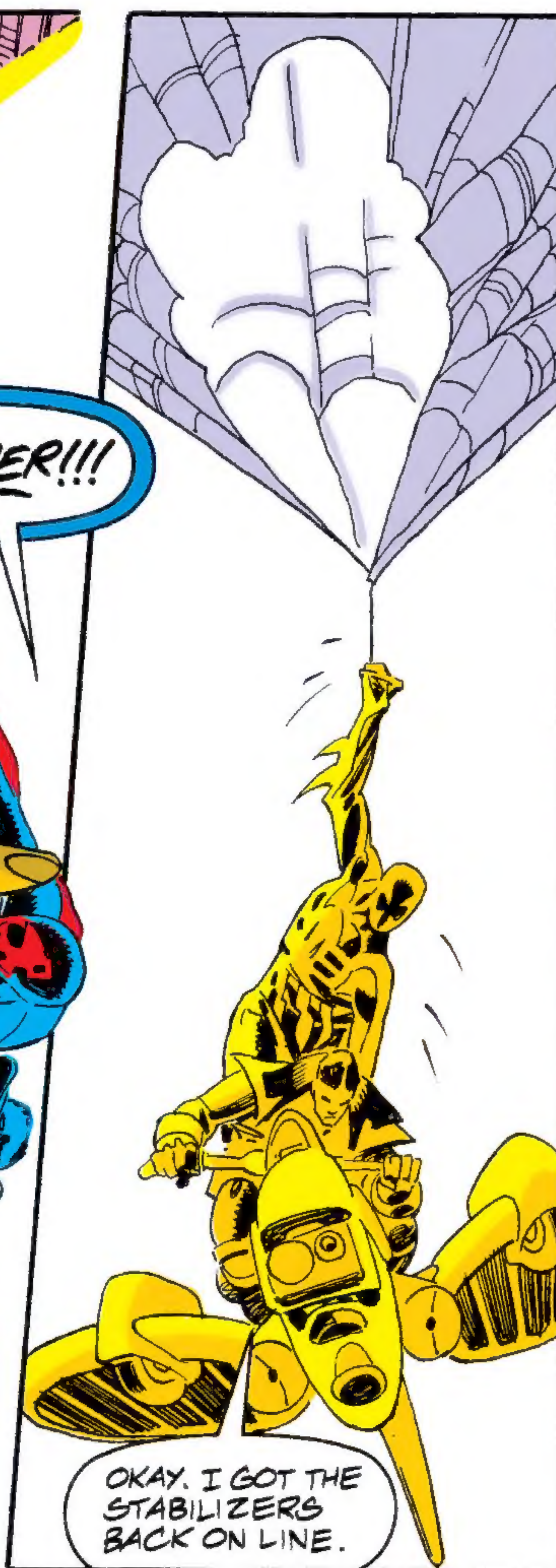
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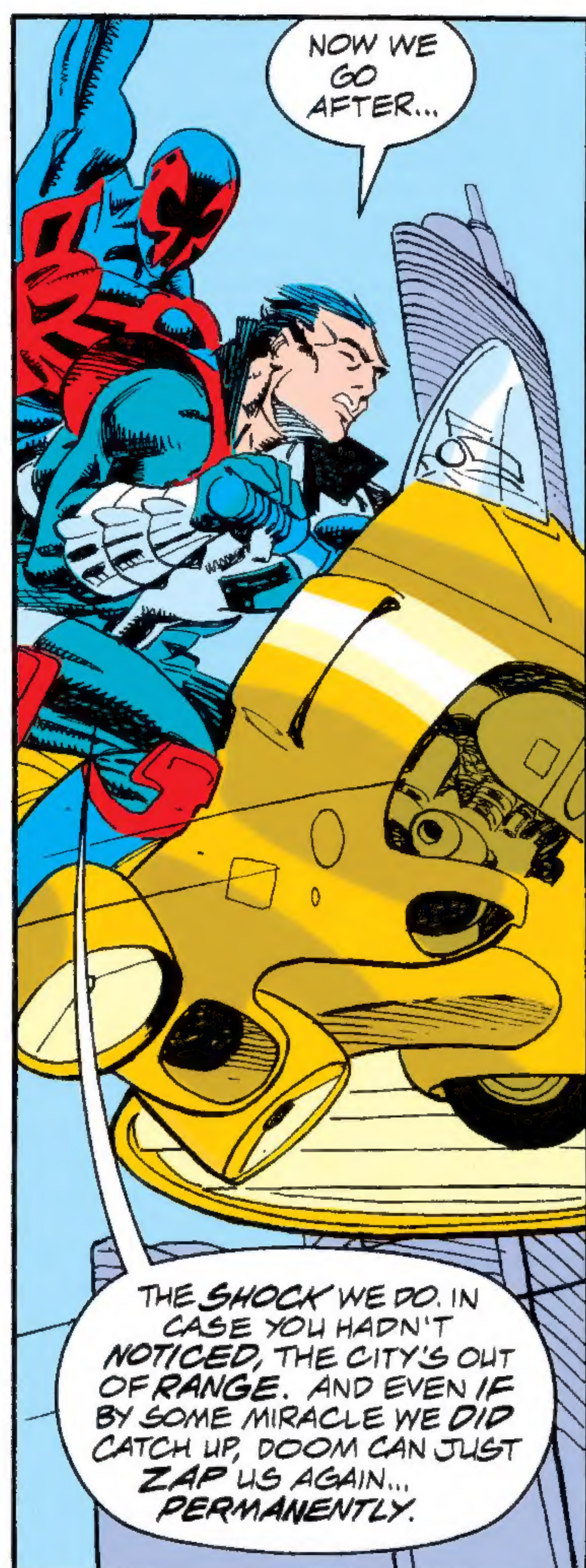
"HAVE  
A NICE  
DAY!"

PUNISHER!!!

I KNOW,  
I KNOW!



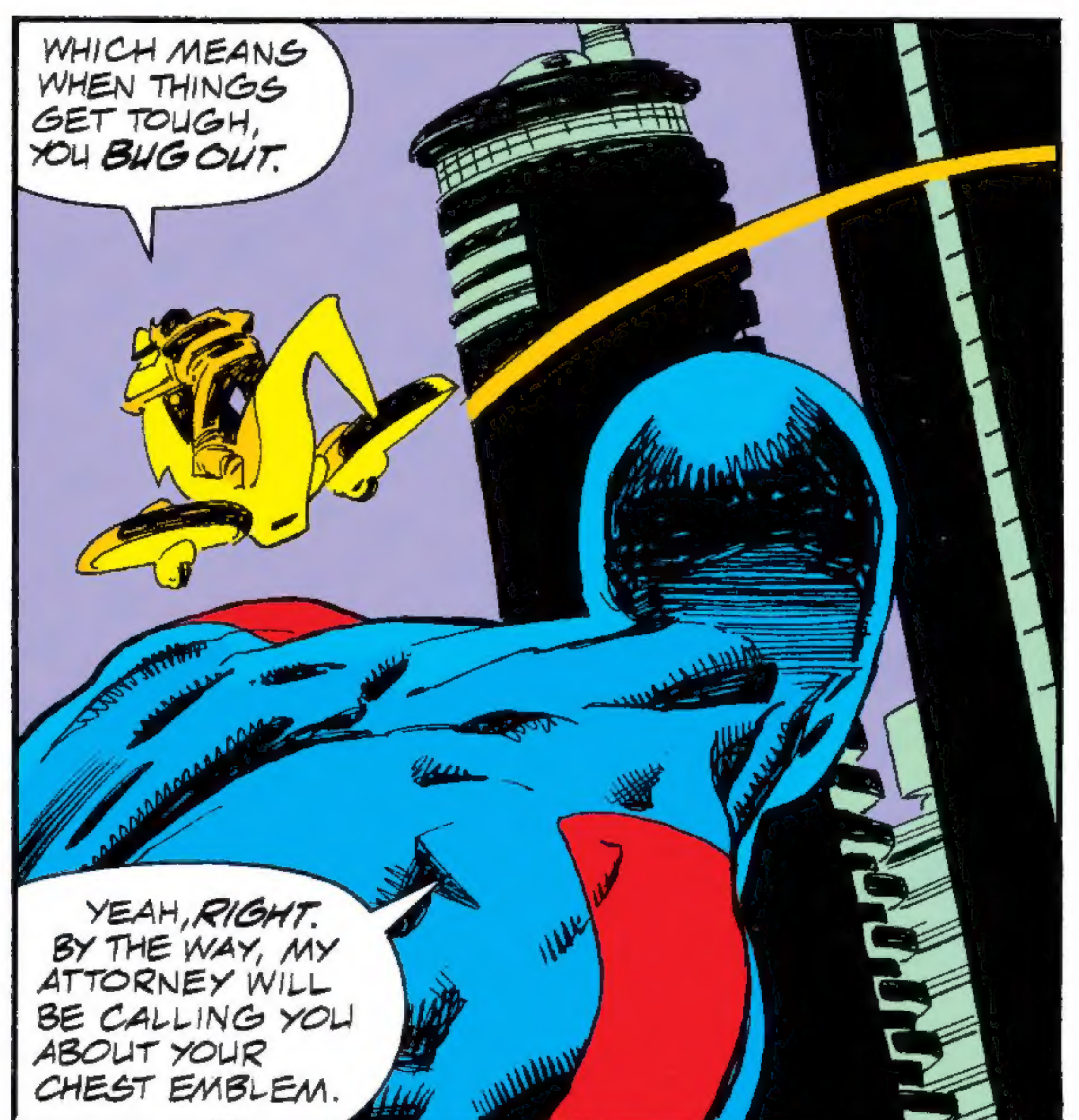
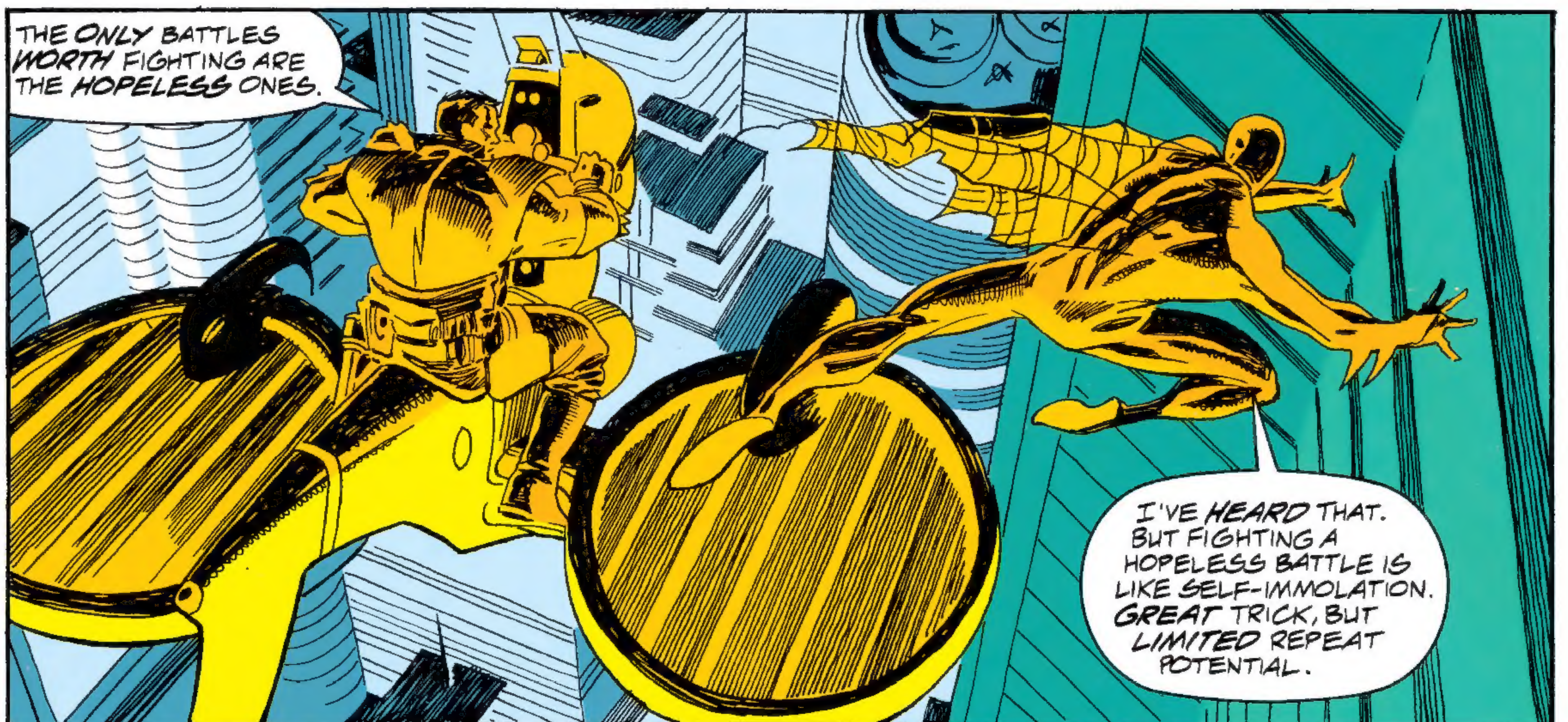
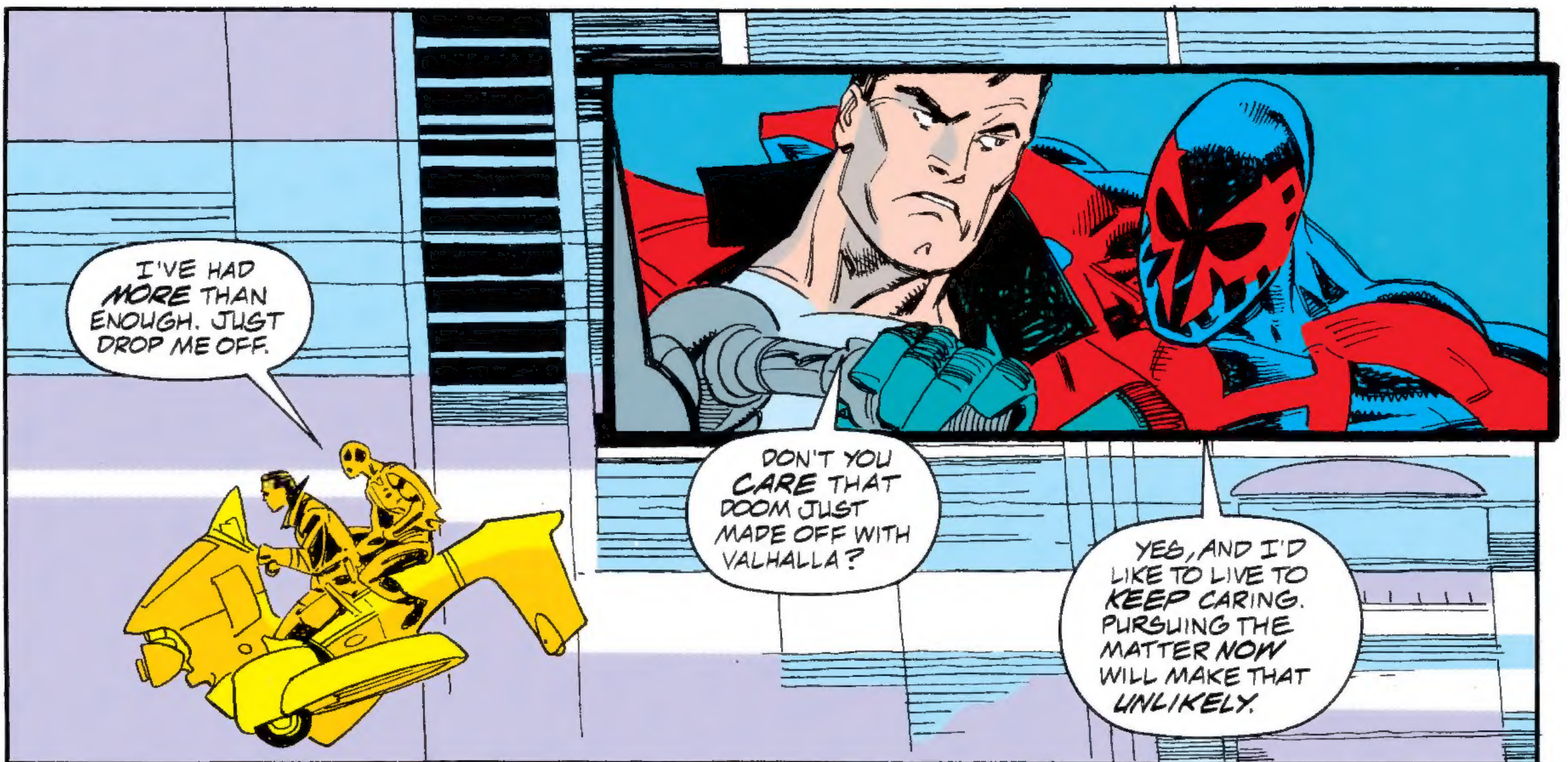
OKAY. I GOT THE  
STABILIZERS  
BACK ON LINE.



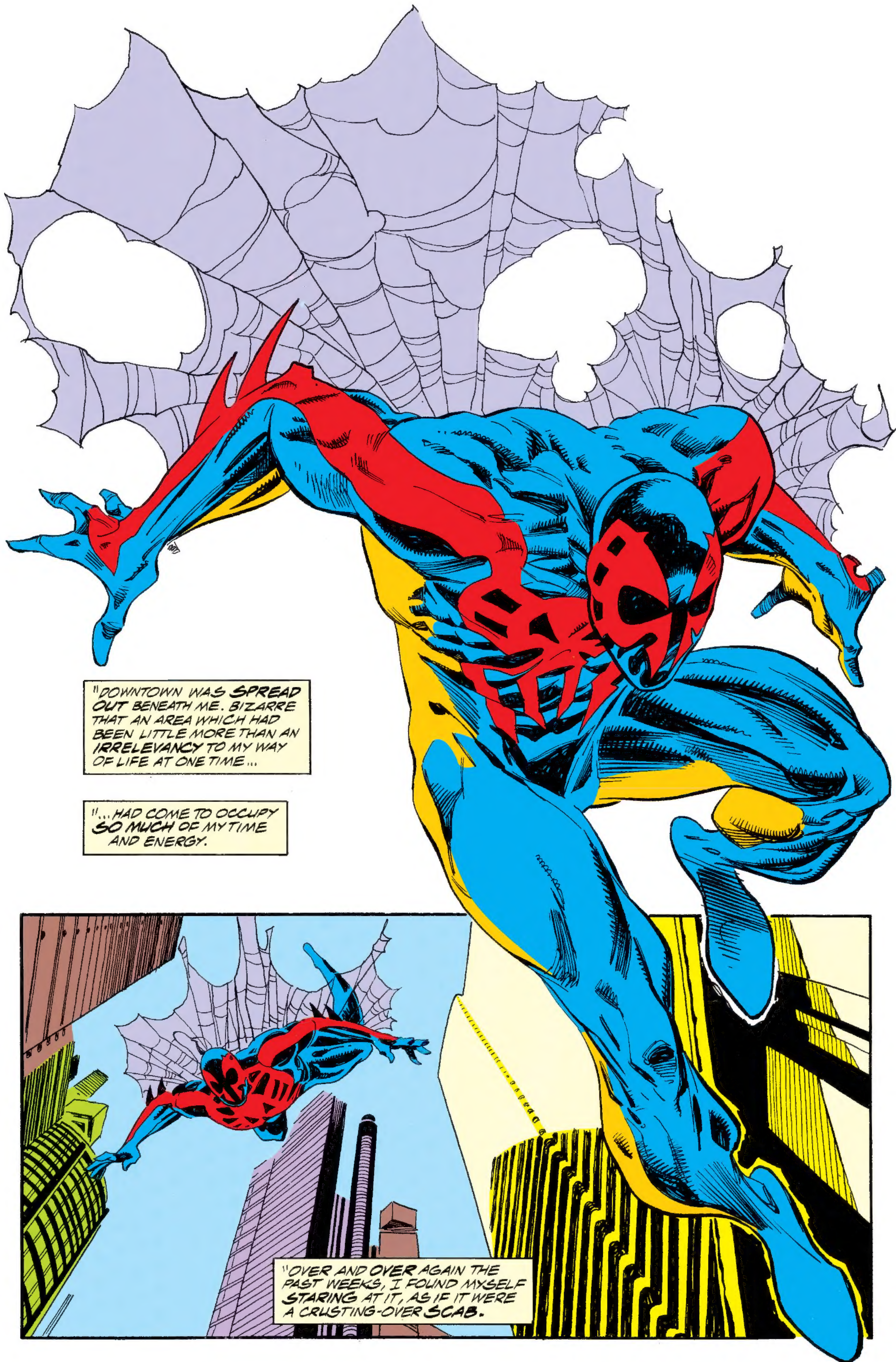
NOW WE  
GO  
AFTER...

THE SHOCK WE DO, IN  
CASE YOU HADN'T  
NOTICED, THE CITY'S OUT  
OF RANGE. AND EVEN IF  
BY SOME MIRACLE WE DID  
CATCH UP, DOOM CAN JUST  
ZAP US AGAIN...  
PERMANENTLY.









"DOWNTOWN WAS SPREAD OUT BENEATH ME. BIZARRE THAT AN AREA WHICH HAD BEEN LITTLE MORE THAN AN IRRELEVANCY TO MY WAY OF LIFE AT ONE TIME ...

"... HAD COME TO OCCUPY SO MUCH OF MY TIME AND ENERGY.

"OVER AND OVER AGAIN THE PAST WEEKS, I FOUND MYSELF STARING AT IT, AS IF IT WERE A CRUSTING-OVER SCAB.



"AND, AS SOMETIMES  
HAPPENS WITH SCABS,  
I FOUND MYSELF  
IRRESISTABLY PICKING  
AWAY AT IT.

"SUCH ACTIONS SERVE NO  
PURPOSE, EXCEPT PERHAPS  
THE PRIMAL NEED TO MUCK  
AROUND WITH SOMETHING  
THAT WOULD BE BETTER  
LEFT ALONE.

"DOWNTOWN, THE UNDERBELLY  
OF NEW YORK, WAS A PLACE  
WHERE I HAD FOUND MYSELF  
WANTING TO ACCOMPLISH  
SOMETHING THAT WOULD  
SERVE SOMEONE OTHER  
THAN MYSELF.

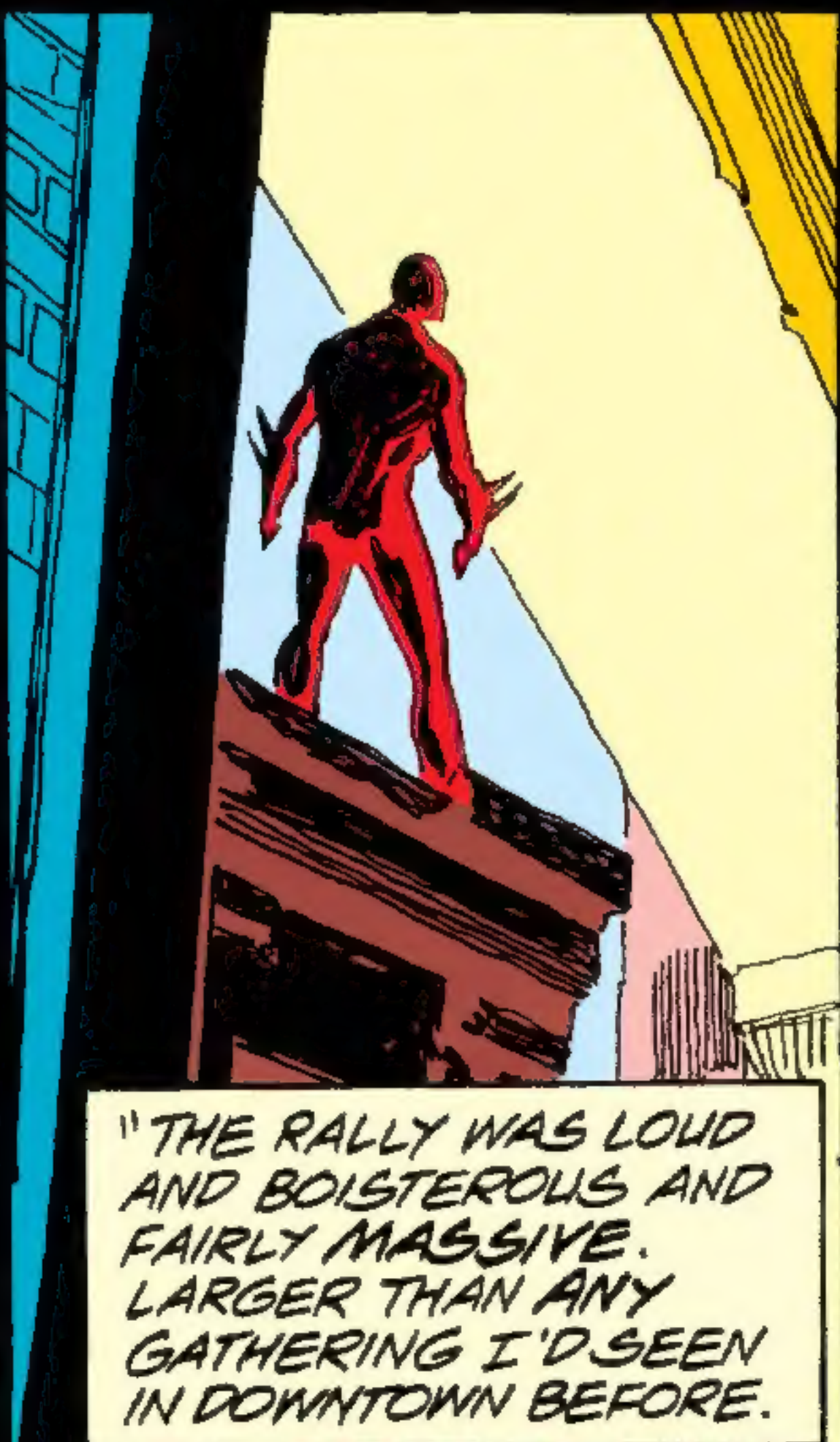
"BUT I HAD ONLY MANAGED  
TO DO SO BY BECOMING A  
POSEUR. A CHARLATAN.  
THE 'HARBINGER OF THOR.'

"WELL, THOR HAD COME  
AND GONE, AND IT HAD  
PROVEN SOMETHING OF  
A WASHOUT. PERHAPS  
THAT MEANT MY CHARADE  
WAS THROUGH AS WELL,  
WHICH DIDN'T UPSET ME.

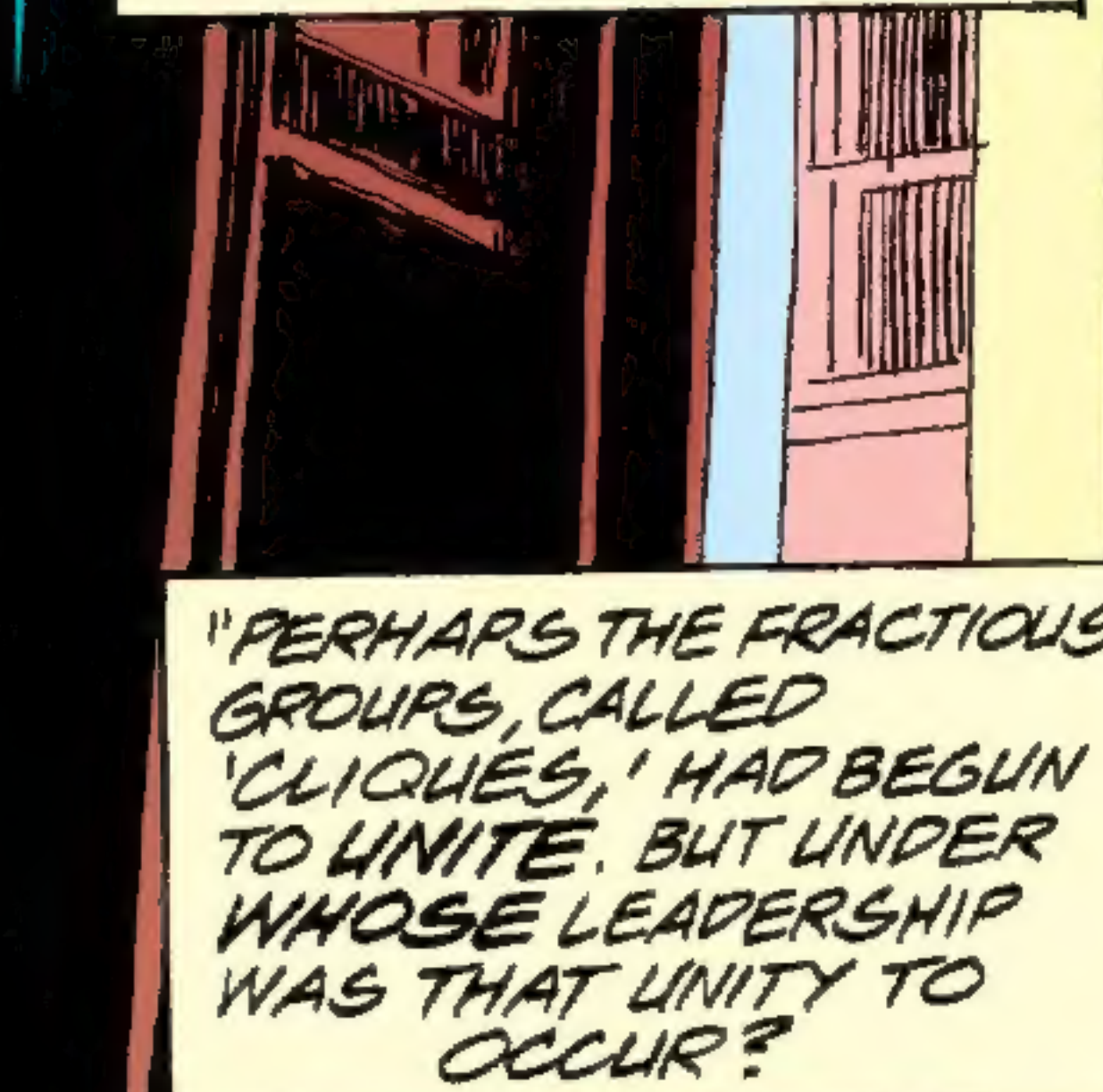
"THE PROBLEM WAS THAT A  
VACUUM HAD BEEN CREATED  
IN THE FAITH DEPARTMENT,  
AND NATURE ABHORS A  
VACUUM.

"AND WHEN NATURE  
DECIDES TO FILL  
THAT VACUUM, THEN  
THINGS CAN REALLY  
START TO SUCK.

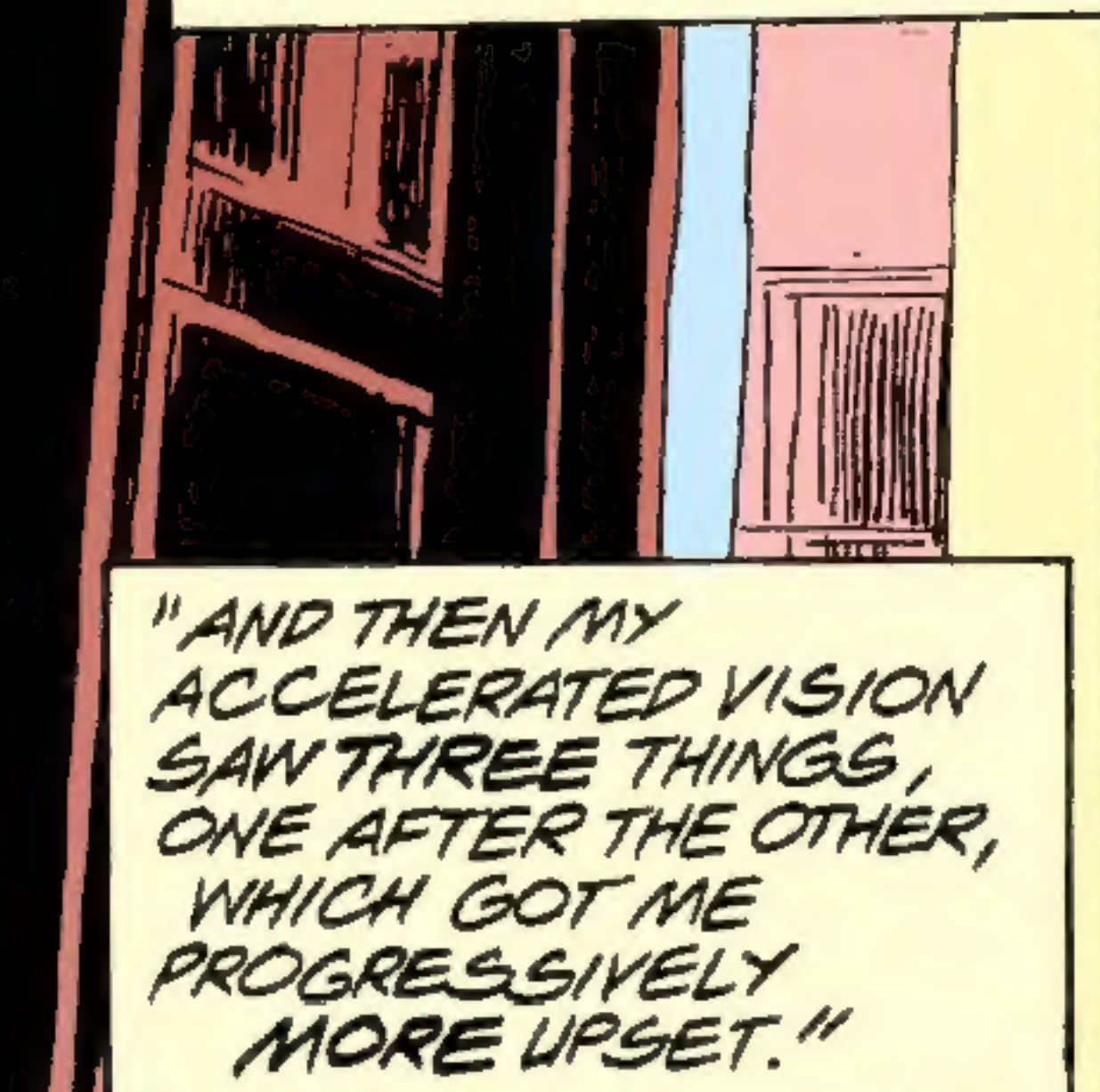




"THE RALLY WAS LOUD AND BOISTEROUS AND FAIRLY MASSIVE. LARGER THAN ANY GATHERING I'D SEEN IN DOWNTOWN BEFORE."



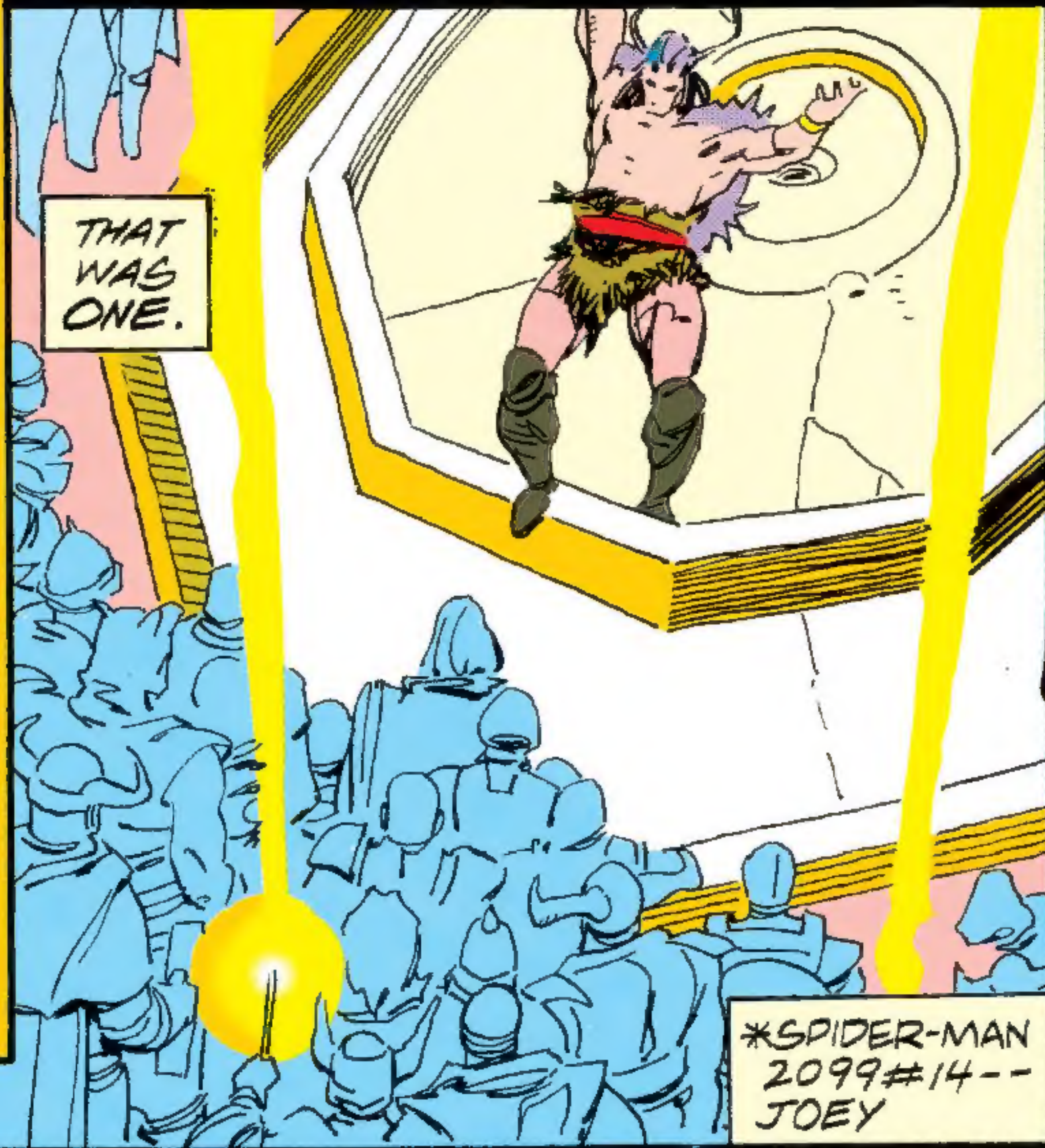
"PERHAPS THE FRACTIOUS GROUPS, CALLED 'CLIQUEs,' HAD BEGUN TO UNITE. BUT UNDER WHOSE LEADERSHIP WAS THAT UNITY TO OCCUR?"



"AND THEN MY ACCELERATED VISION SAW THREE THINGS, ONE AFTER THE OTHER, WHICH GOT ME PROGRESSIVELY MORE UPSET."



BLOODSWORD! THAT IDIOT? I THOUGHT I DISPOSED OF HIM IN SHORT ENOUGH ORDER TO... \*

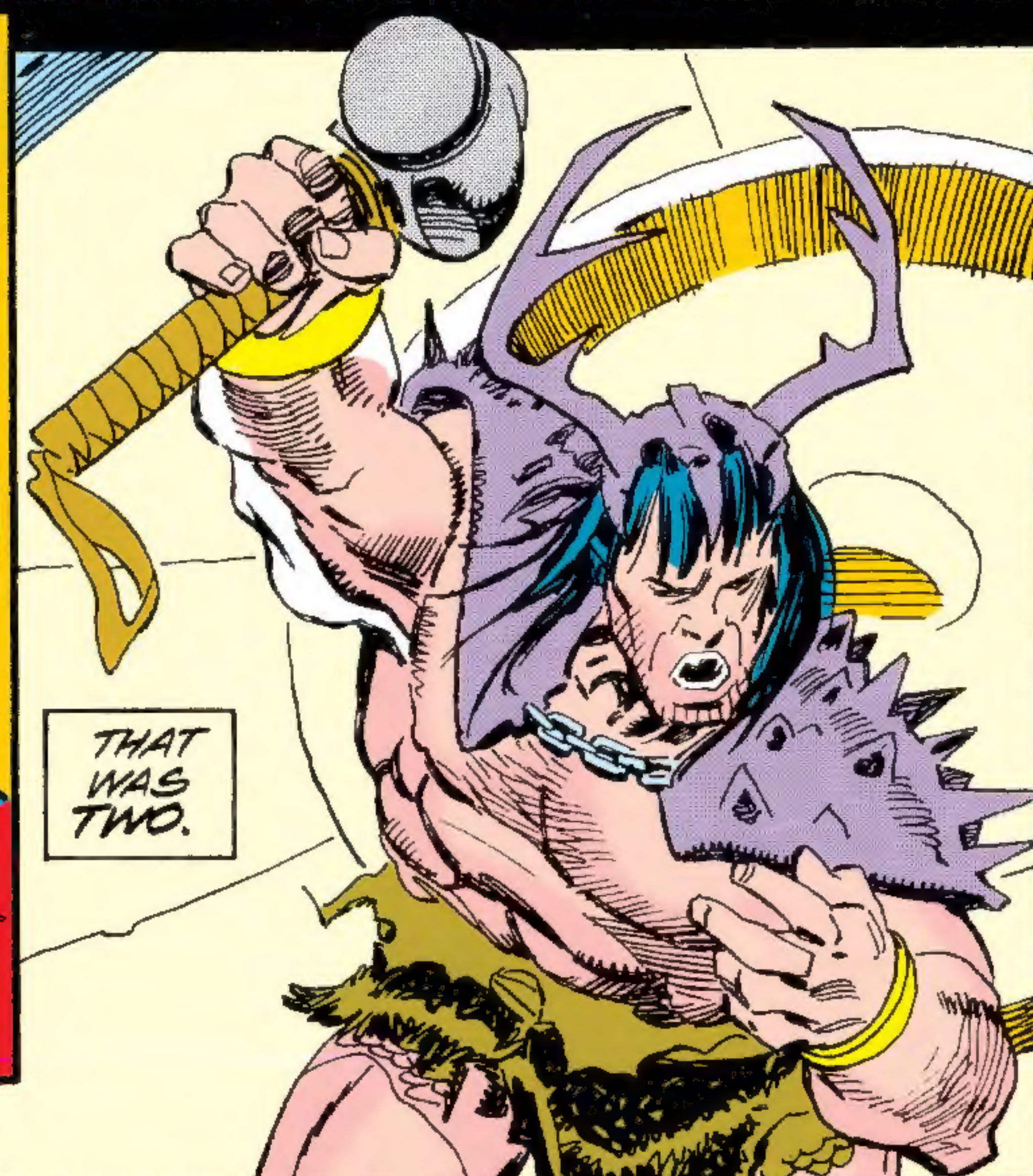


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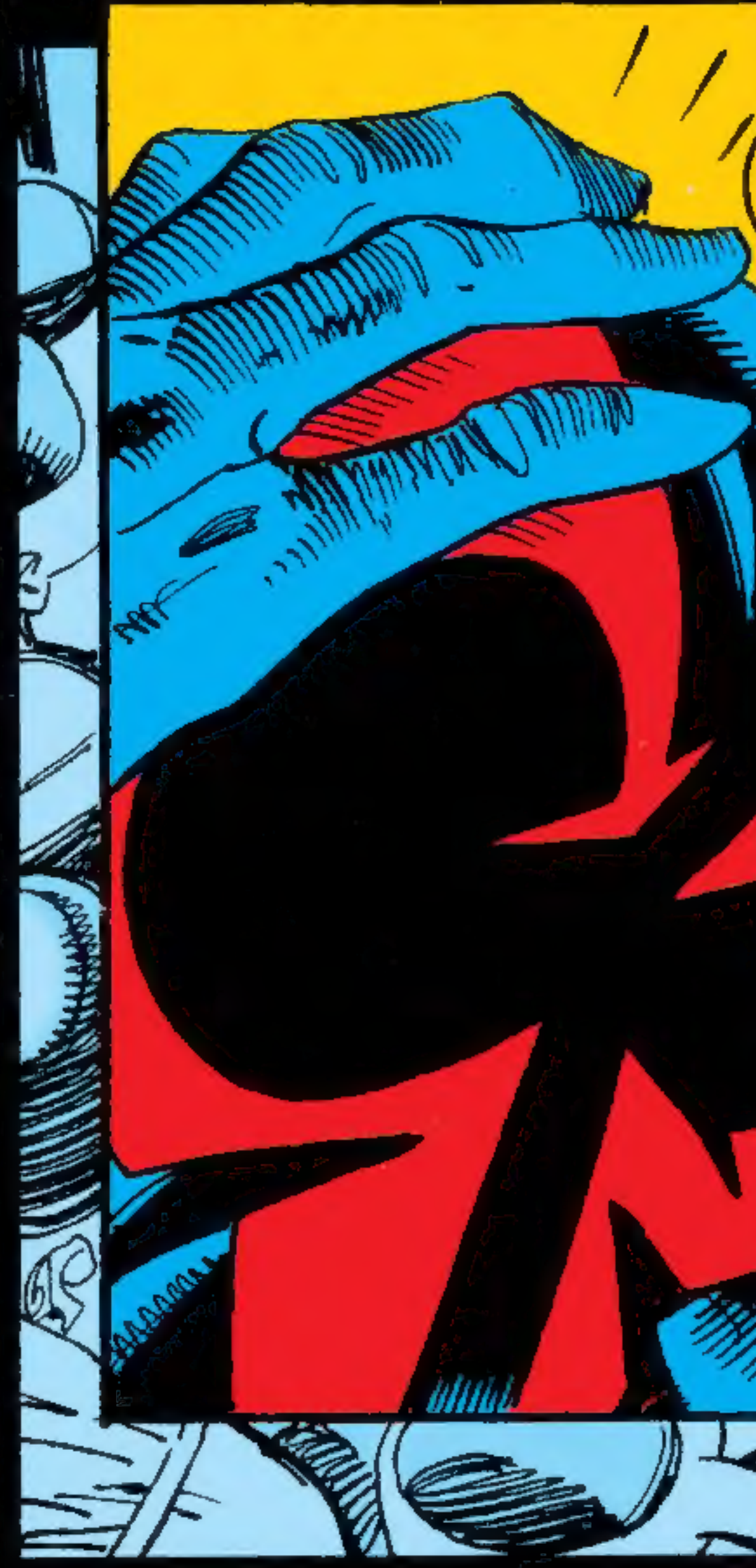
\*SPIDER-MAN 2099#14-- JOEY



OH SHOCK. THAT'S THOR'S HAMMER! WHERE DID HE--?



THAT WAS TWO.



MOM???

THREE STRIKES, I'M OUT.







